

Substitute for form 1449/PTO				<i>Complete if Known</i>	
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT <i>(Use as many sheets as necessary)</i>				Application Number	10/572,413
Sheet	1	of	1	Filing Date	March 16, 2006
				First Named Inventor	Jason Daniel Harold O'CONNOR
				Art Unit	3742
				Examiner Name	To be assigned
				Attorney Docket Number	2496.0010000

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Document Number	Publication Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number-Kind Code ² (if known)	MM-DD-YYYY		
<i>SJ</i>	US1	5,558,794	09-1996	Jansens	
<i>SJ</i>	US2	4,575,620	03-1986	Ishii et al.	
<i>SJ</i>	US3	4,200,973	05-1980	Farkas	
	US4				
	USS				
	US6				
	US7				
	US8				
	US9				
	US10				
	US11				
	US12				
	US13				
	US14				
	US15				
	US16				
	US17				
	US18				
	US19				
	US20				

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Country Code ³ Number ⁴ Kind Code ⁵ (if known)	MM-DD-YYYY		
<i>SJ</i>	FP1	DE 198 05 174 C1	06-1999	Daimler Chrysler AG	
	FP2				
	FP3				
	FP4				
	FP5				
	FP6				
	FP7				
	FP8				
	FP9				

Examiner Signature	<i>Shawntea Luga</i>	Date Considered	2/19/08
--------------------	----------------------	-----------------	---------

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ¹Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.87 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.

Substitute for, form 1449/PTO				<i>Complete if Known</i>	
				<i>Application Number</i>	10/572,413
				<i>Filing Date</i>	March 16, 2006
				<i>First Named Inventor</i>	Jason Daniel Harold O'CONNOR
				<i>Art Unit</i>	3742
				<i>Examiner Name</i>	To be assigned
Sheet		1	of	1	<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>
2496.0010000					

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published			T ²
<i>JH</i>	NPL1	International Search Report, dated December 14, 2004, for PCT Appl. No. PCT/GB2004/003857, 2 pages.			
<i>JH</i>	NPL2	English abstract for German Patent No. DE 19805174, 1 page.			
	NPL3				
	NPL4				
	NPL5				
	NPL6				
	NPL7				
	NPL8				
	NPL9				
	NPL10				

Examiner Signature	<i>Shawntea Suga</i>	Date Considered	<i>2/19/08</i>
--------------------	----------------------	-----------------	----------------

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.